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Subject: FW: Join ELI and JHU to Learn about Opportunities and Challenges for Minimizing Animal Testing

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Toxicity Testing: Opportunities and Challenges in Minimizing the Use of Animals

April 22, 2020, 12:00 pm - 1:30 pm

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ELI Member Breaking News Webinar

An Environmental Law Institute and Johns Hopkins University Co-Sponsored Webinar In their seminal 2007 report, *Toxicity Testing in the 21st Century*, the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine recommended that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency follow a drastically different system for testing chemicals. Twelve years later, in September 2019, EPA announced efforts to minimize the testing of potentially harmful chemicals on animals by reducing such studies by 30% by 2025 and eliminating most vertebrate testing by 2035. Further, EPA has committed to funding research of alternatives to animal testing at various academic and medical institutions.

Proponents of this shift regard this as progress toward a system of toxicity testing that is more relevant to the human body. Yet others remain cautious of setting ambitious timelines given the present lack of robust alternatives to replace animal testing.

What are the benefits and challenges presented by EPA's commitment to minimizing animal testing? What scientific, legal, and policy tools will be required to meet this goal in the timeframe set by EPA? Does the current regulatory landscape promote or inhibit the development of these tools? Please join the Environmental Law Institute, Johns Hopkins University, and leading experts to explore these questions and more as they dive into the potential opportunities and risks of eliminating animal testing by 2035.